

election as stated in the foregoing section, the certificate may be signed by the judge or judges of such election, and the signature of such judge or judges shall be acknowledged by him or them as hereinbefore stated; all such certificates shall be known as certificates of nomination.

1892, ch. 55, sec. 161W.

287. A candidate for public office may be nominated otherwise than by a convention or primary election in the manner following: A nomination paper containing the name of the candidate nominated, his residence, and the office for which he is nominated, shall be signed by registered voters residing within the city of Hagerstown or any ward thereof, as the case may be, for which candidates are to be presented as follows: The number of signatures so required shall not be less than two hundred when the nomination is for an office to be filled by an election to be participated in by the voters of the entire city of Hagerstown, and not less than fifty for nominations for all other elections; and provide also that the said signatures need not all be appended to one paper; such paper when executed as above prescribed may be filed as provided for in Section 288 of this sub-title, with the same effect as a certificate of nomination made by a party convention, but if the signatures are appended to more than one paper, all such papers must be fastened together and filed as one whole certificate; all such papers shall be known as "Nomination Papers"; all such nomination papers shall be accompanied by an affidavit or affidavits before a Justice of the Peace by some one or more persons known personally to the justice, certified by him and signed by the affiant that the signers thereto are registered voters of the wards in which they respectively reside.

1892, ch. 55, sec. 161X.

288. All such certificates and nomination papers for the nomination of candidates to be voted for by the voters of the city of Hagerstown, or any ward thereof, and all papers of withdrawal of a candidate or candidates shall be filed with the board of supervisors of election of said city of Hagerstown; at the end of six months after the election for which the nominations were made, the said board of supervisors shall destroy the said certificates, nomination and withdrawal papers, and said board shall destroy the copies thereof, unless there be some contest with respect to the election for which the nomination was made, and then the same shall be preserved until such contest is ended.

1892, ch. 55, sec. 161Y.

289. All such certificates and nomination papers required by the provision of this article to be filed with said board of supervisors of elections shall be filed not more than ten nor less than six days before the day of the election for which such nominations are made; in the calculation of said period the day of the filing of the certificates and the day of election shall both be excluded; all certificates of nomination and nomination papers